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To whom it may concern at the FDA,

I believe that a totally different approach must be taken with terminal illnesses.

In some cases Heart Disease, Cancer and Aids can be stopped.

I know that ALS is not a broadly distributed disease, but it kills us within three to five years.

I am personally moving to alter the situation we are now facing.

Whether it matters, I joined the Marine Corps in 1968, went to Vietnam, and when I came back, I couldn't vote or drink. I've supported this Country.

I have a 6 and 12 year old daughter and would like to see them grow up.

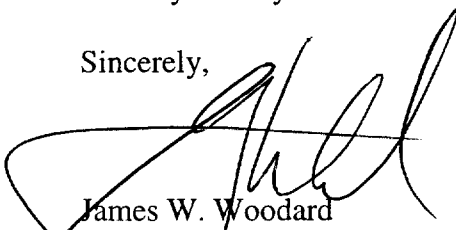
My recommendations would be to allow multiple drug trials with ALS patients as long as the person is stabilized on a given drug.

I certainly believe that when a drug is considered safe and somewhat effective let us use it.

Time is running out. Our lives are in your hands.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



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